

## C A S E

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## Register'd Seamen,

And their WIDOWS and CHILDREN.

**B**Y an Act of Parliament made in the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Years of the Reign of his late *Majesty King William the Third*, of Glorious Memory; Intituled, *An Act for Encouragement of Seamen: It is Enacted*, That every Seaman, who shall Serve his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, according to the Directions of that Act, shall have Paid and Allow'd them, the Yearly Sum or Bounty of *Forty Shillings per Annum*, over and besides such other Pay and Allowances, which he shall be Intituled to.

In Obedience to the said Act, and pursuant to the Rules therein prescribed, many Seamen Register'd themselves, and thereby became Intituled to the said Yearly Bounty.

There being Due to such as were Register'd in the *First* Year after the said Act was made, the Sum of 16389 *l*. The then Hon<sup>ble</sup> House of Commons, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of *March* 1697, passed the following Votes;

*Resolved*, That the Sum of 16389 *l*. Due to Register'd Seamen, be Raised in the Year 1698.

*Resolved*, That there be Allowed for the Charge, for the Office for Registring Seamen, the Sum of 37286 *Pounds Five Shillings*, to be Raised in the Year 1698.

But no particular Fund having been appointed for that Purpose, those Seamen never receiv'd any Part of such Intended Bounty-Money; and many of them are since Dead.

*It's humbly hop'd and pray'd, That this Honourable House will Establish some Fund, or Receive such Proposals as are Ready to be Offer'd, for Settling a Fund for their Relief.*



# CASE

Of Several

Registered Seamen

And Their

*Wives and Children.*